

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-9. (canceled)

10. (previously amended) A sauce for alimentary use comprising:

at least 40% balsamic vinegar of Modena,

and a basic preparation containing thickening agent and sugar, said basic preparation comprising lactose, dehydrated glucose syrup, maltodextrin, modified starch and xanthan gum.

11. (previously added) The sauce according to claim 10, further comprising a flavoring base.